

Jessie White

From: Jim Scholl [jim_scholl@dot.state.ak.us]
Sent: Monday, March 12, 2007 9:25 AM
To: 'Jessie White'
Subject: FW: School Zone Traffic Control Project funding cut by over 75%

Jessie, Please log this in as a comment.

-----Original Message-----

From: Kurt Smith [mailto:kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us]
Sent: Friday, March 09, 2007 11:22 AM
To: Scholl, James W (DOT)
Cc: King, Ronald G (DOT); 'Colleen Ackiss'; 'Scott Thomas'; Morehouse, Carolyn H (DOT); 'Steve Soenksen'
Subject: School Zone Traffic Control Project funding cut by over 75%

Jim,

In December, in response to your request, I listed funding needed for this project (Need ID 18327) at \$3,375K in FFY 07 and \$1,500 in FFY 08 (see e-mail below).

Amendment 13 shows \$860 in FFY 07 (25% of requested) and \$0 in FFY 08.

I trust this is an oversight. If not, this school safety work will not be done.

Please let me whether this can be corrected.

Thank you,

Kurt

From: Kurt Smith [kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us]
Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2006 8:37 AM
To: 'Jim Scholl'
Cc: 'Carolyn H Morehouse'; 'Johnson, Russell M (DOT)'; 'Colleen Ackiss'; 'Steve Soenksen'; 'Scott E Thomas'
Subject: RE: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements

Jim,

OK, we have different info from Northern Region. So now the funding request is for:

- > Northern: FFY07: \$610K Ph 4
- > Central: FFY07: \$200K Ph 3, \$1,500K Ph 4, \$50K Ph7, FFY08: \$1,500K Ph 4,
- > \$50K Ph 7

> Southeast: FFY07: \$1,015K Ph 4,

- Kurt

-----Original Message-----

From: Colleen Ackiss [mailto:colleen_ackiss@dot.state.ak.us]

Sent: Tuesday, December 12, 2006 7:06 AM

To: kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us

Cc: 'Jim Scholl'; 'Scott E Thomas'; 'Carolyn H Morehouse'; Johnson, Russell M (DOT); 'Steve Soenksen'

Subject: Re: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements

Kurt-

I apologize in advance for any confusion. Northern Region will need \$610 in FY07 for phase 4. Our environmental staff was not able to complete the Environmental Document in FY06 so we could not obligate the phase 4 funds.

We anticipate having an approved document in January and be ready for bid in April.

Colleen

Kurt Smith wrote:

> Jim,

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> I just got an update from Scott and need to correct what I sent earlier:

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> Northern: \$0

> Central: FFY07: \$200K Ph 3, \$1,500K Ph 4, \$50K Ph7, FFY08: \$1,500K Ph 4,

> \$50K Ph 7

> Southeast: FFY07: \$1,015K Ph 4,

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> Thanks,

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> Kurt

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> From: Scott Thomas [mailto:scott_thomas@dot.state.ak.us]

> Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 3:21 PM

> To: KURTIS SMITH

> Cc: Ron F Martindale; JUDY DOUGHERTY; LAWRENCE HULING

> Subject: School TC project accounting 12-21-05.xls

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> Kurt,

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> For a quick estimate by the end of the day today, I offer the attached
> revisions. My opinion is that to date I am not going to get enough of
> the schools resolved to guarantee 100% delivery for a summer 2007 Design
> and Construction. We still have to get them through environmental
> review first. My staff is limited and I hope to begin in one week in
> terms of submitting each site for an environmental review.

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> We had 44 sites on our list, some are dropping off, a few are adding.
> Of these I estimate that about 13 have existing electrical systems to
> be modified and could go forward this summer, with another 6 that are
> just signing and could go forward this summer. We will try to advance
> one or two new ones that are of the busiest in conflicts between cars
> and walking. So I think at \$120k plus each, plus signs, the 1.5
> million in

> 2007 is still our goal for construction.

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> This leaves another 22 sites that will get new beacon systems to be
> installed. That means about 2,650,000 in construction. I have
> adjusted the design and utilities in 2007 to correspond to this. This
> is my best estimate, we can adapt as funding allows and try to keep
> going with as many schools as we can, with modifications to existing
> schools being easiest in the first round, and new systems possibly
> taking
another year.

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> Scott

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> -----Original Message-----

> From: Kurt Smith [mailto:kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us]

> Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 3:04 PM

> To: 'Jim Scholl'

> Cc: 'COLLEEN M ACKISS'; 'Scott E Thomas'; 'Carolyn H Morehouse';

> Johnson, Russell M (DOT); 'Steve Soenksen'

> Subject: RE: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements

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> Jim,

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> Because this was created as a statewide project rather than three
> individual regional projects, there is no project manager with project
authority.

> Things are likely to fall through the cracks.

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> Russ Johnson, Scott Thomas, and Carolyn Morehouse have responded and
> say they need the following amounts in FFY 2007 and 2008 for work

> under this

> project:

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> Northern: \$0

> Central: \$1.55M, Ph 4, FFY07, \$1.5M, Ph 4, FFY08
> Southeast: \$1.015, Ph 4, FFY07.
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> I haven't been involved in decisions about using SRTS funding for the
> project. It's a good idea if feasible.
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> - Kurt
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> From: Carolyn H Morehouse [mailto:carolyn_morehouse@dot.state.ak.us]
> Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 1:54 PM
> To: kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us; 'COLLEEN M ACKISS'; 'Scott E Thomas'
> Cc: 'Jim Scholl'
> Subject: RE: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements
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> Move our 1015 in phase 4 to 2007
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Kurt Smith [mailto:kurt_smith@dot.state.ak.us]
> Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 1:50 PM
> To: 'COLLEEN M ACKISS'; 'Scott E Thomas'; 'Carolyn H Morehouse'
> Cc: 'Jim Scholl'
> Subject: RE: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements
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> Hello,
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> I have attached the estimate of School Zone project costs from last year.
> Jim needs an update today.
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> I will call you.
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> - Kurt
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> -----Original Message-----
> From: Jim Scholl [mailto:jim_scholl@dot.state.ak.us]
> Sent: Monday, December 11, 2006 11:48 AM
> To: Kurt Smith; Steve Soenksen
> Subject: 18327 Statewide: School Zone Crossing Improvements
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> Kurt, Steve, This project has Safe Routes to Schools (SRTS) funding
> identified. I just searched my files and can't find where we put SRTS
> funding in the project. I'm looking for two items:
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> * The correct *total* funding level, and

- > * Does SRTS pay the total federal share of the project?
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- > Your input please. We are finalizing the major amendment so if you
- > could get back today I'd appreciate it. Jim
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